



ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention and Emergency Response Program
SITUATION REPORT

M/V Excellence Ammonia Release

SITREP # 1

SPILL #: 12259918801

TIME/DATE OF DISTRIBUTION: 6:00PM July 7, 2012

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): *M/V Excellence*

INCIDENT LOCATION: Kloosterboer North Dock, Dutch Harbor Alaska. Dutch Harbor lies approximately 800 air miles Southwest of Anchorage on the Aleutian Chain.

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: 12:15 p.m. on July 7, 2012, The National Response Center notified ADEC by email of the incident.

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: 3,000-5000 pounds of Anhydrous Ammonia, which was estimated by the captain of the *M/V Excellence*.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the release has not been determined.

SOURCE CONTROL: None at this time, the vessels Hazardous Materials (Hazmat) team and the Unalaska Fire Department have secured the area within 500 feet of the vessel.

RESPONSE ACTION: Personnel from vessel and surrounding facilities were immediately evacuated. The Unalaska fire department has been applying a high pressure water fog to reduce the ammonia vapors coming from the vessel.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: The area immediately around the area and the Kloosterboer cold storage facility. There were three people from the vessel taken to the local medical facility due to inhalation of ammonia vapors. Two of those persons were subsequently transported to Anchorage in stable condition.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: A plan is currently awaiting approval to relocate the vessel approximately 7.5 miles to Wide Bay. The vessel will be transferred under tow, be secured to a mooring and monitored for emissions. Once atmospheric levels allow for safe entry, a hazmat team will board the vessel and secure the ammonia system. A security zone will be established around the vessel during transit and while the *M/V Excellence* remains on moorage.

WEATHER: Partly sunny. Patchy morning fog, highs around 50. Variable wind 5 to 10 mph. Tonight: Mostly cloudy in the evening then becoming partly cloudy. Patchy fog. Lows in the lower 40s. Variable wind 5 to 10 mph. Sunday: Partly sunny. Patchy fog. Highs around 50. Variable wind 5 to 10 mph. Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy. Patchy fog. Lows in the mid 40s. Variable wind 5 to 10 mph.



UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

Incident Commander: Lee Vestal, Captain, *M/V Excellence*
 SOSC: Steven Russell, ADEC
 FOSC: Captain Paul Mehler, USCG
 LOSC: Jamie Sutherland, Director Public Safety, Unalaska

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT DISTRIBUTION: When the situation dictates.

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